

Tuesday, August 22, 2000

Discovery rolls from OPF bay 1 to bay 3



STS-99 crew to brief employees on SRTM success



▲ **Shuttle Update:** The SPACEHAB payload was installed into Atlantis's payload bay last week at pad 39B. Routine payload testing is slated for today and orbiter prelaunch propellant loading begins tomorrow. The orbiter Discovery rolled from OPF bay 1 to bay 3 yesterday. Managers will determine later this week when to roll the orbiter to the Vehicle Assembly Building then out to pad 39A.

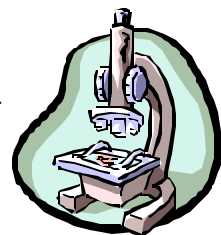
▲ **STS-99/SRTM Crew To Visit:** Members of the STS-99 flight crew will visit KSC on Thursday, Aug. 24 to brief employees on the very successful Shuttle Radar Topography Mission. The briefing will be held at 9 a.m. in the Operations and Checkout building Mission Briefing Room. All KSC personnel are invited to attend, with permission from their supervisor.

◆ **Road Closing for Delta III Launch --** On Aug. 23, a Delta III launch from Complex 17 will close Phillips Parkway to through traffic. This launch is scheduled for 7 a.m. and has a four-hour window. Personnel who use the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Main Gate to travel to areas north of Complex 19 or to KSC should plan to arrive at the gate no later than 6 a.m. on the 23rd, or use an alternate route through KSC. Only mission-essential personnel, as identified by Safety, will be allowed within the Flight Hazard Area. Personnel who work at the ROCC should check with their supervisors to

determine when they are required to report for work that day.

◆ **Water Testing Of Sinks And Drinking Fountains --**

Water testing of sinks and water fountains has begun at 60 selected sites around KSC and will continue through Sept. 8. This testing is mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency and is necessary to determine water quality at points of use. The selected sites will be tagged (out of use) by Environmental Health and Services early in the morning for a period of six hours. If your water fountain or sink has an Environmental Health tag-out on it, this means that it was selected for testing -- please do not disturb the test. For more information about lead and copper in drinking water, please visit the Environmental Health and Services page on the Web at <http://kscboc-w3.ksc.nasa.gov/environmentalhealth/ecph.htm> or contact Jerry Kueczynski at 867-7138.



◆ **Hurricane Season Keeps Its Word**

with the approach of Hurricane Debby. Are you prepared, at work and at home? Hurricane coordinators for each KSC organization have been identified and will coordinate pre-storm activities, such as protecting office property. Find



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out who your coordinator is and learn what you should do if Debby heads for the Space Coast.

◆ **Did You Know?** There are only 125 days left until Christmas. ★